

BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF ENFORCEMENT ACTION AGAINST) PDC CASE NO.: 01-683
WILLIAM WULFF	FINAL ORDER IMPOSING FINE
Respondent.)))

The Washington State Public Disclosure Commission (Commission) conducted an enforcement hearing under chapters 34.05 and 42.17 RCW and chapter 390-37 WAC on August 28, 2001.

The Commission held the hearing in Room 206 of the Evergreen Plaza Building, 711 Capitol Way South, in Olympia, Washington to determine if the Respondent violated RCW 42.17.240 by failing to properly file an F-1 report due on or before April 16, 2001. The Respondent was properly notified of the hearing by letter dated August 7, 2001 but failed to appear. The Commission's Enforcement Staff (Staff) appeared through Philip Stutzman, Director of Compliance.

The Commission considered the Notice of Administrative Charges and its incorporated exhibits. The Notice of Administrative Charges and exhibits are incorporated by reference into this Order. The Commission heard oral argument by Staff.

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Based on this record, the Commission finds that

- 1) The Respondent is a Director of the Orcas Island School District No. 137.
- 2) The Respondent was required to file a Statement of Financial Affairs (PDC Form F-1) by April 16, 2001.
- 3) The Respondent failed to file the F-1 Report by April 16, 2001.
- 4) The Respondent failed to file an F-1 Report in 2000 and was assessed a penalty in Case No. 01-129 of \$300 by order entered December 4, 2000, which has not been paid.
- 5) The Respondent failed to file an F-1 in 1997 and was assessed a penalty in Case No. 98-170 of \$200 by order entered October 1, 1997, which has been paid.

Based on the findings of fact, the Commission concludes that the Respondent violated RCW 42.17.240 by failing to file the F-1 Report by April 16, 2001.

The Commission ORDERS that the Respondent is assessed a civil penalty of \$1,000. \$500 is suspended on the following conditions: 1) the Respondent files the F-1 Reports that were due by April 17, 2000 and April 16, 2001 within 30 days from the date of this order; 2) the Respondent pays the \$500 non-suspended portion of the penalty within 30 days from the date of this order; 3) the Respondent pays the unpaid \$300 penalty in Case No. 01-129 within 30 days from the date of this order; and 4) the Respondent commits no further violations of RCW 42.17 for a period of four years from the date of this order. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the terms that must be complied with within 30 days of this order for suspending \$500 of the assessed penalty are not met, all unpaid penalties will be turned over to the Office of the Attorney General for collection.

Any party may ask the Commission to reconsider this final order. Parties must place their requests for reconsideration in writing, include the specific grounds or reasons for the request, and deliver the request to the office of the Public Disclosure Commission within 10 days of the date that the Commission serves this order upon the party.

Pursuant to RCW 42.17.395(5), a final order issued by the Public Disclosure Commission is subject to judicial review under the Administrative Procedures Act, chapter 34.05 RCW. Pursuant to RCW 34.05.542(2), a petition for judicial review must be filed with the superior court in Thurston County or the petitioner's county of residence or principal place of business. The petition for judicial review must be served on the Public Disclosure Commission and any other parties within 30 days of the date that the Public Disclosure Commission serves this final order on the parties.

If reconsideration is properly sought, the petition for judicial review must be served on the Public Disclosure Commission and any other parties within 30 days after the Commission acts on the petition for reconsideration. Pursuant to RCW 34.05.470(3), the Public Disclosure Commission is deemed to have denied the petition for reconsideration if, within twenty days from the date the petition is filed, the agency does not either dispose of the petition or serve the parties with written notice specifying the date by which it will act on the petition. Pursuant to RCW 34.05.470(5), the Respondent is not required to ask the Public Disclosure Commission to reconsider the final order before seeking judicial review by a superior court.

The Commission will seek to enforce this final order in superior court under RCW 42.17.395 - .397, and recover legal costs and attorney's fees, if the penalty remains unpaid and no petition for judicial review has been filed under chapter 34.05 RCW. This action will be taken without further order by the Commission. DATED this 31st day of August, 2001. VICKI RIPPIE, Executive Director

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